

AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST

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DISTRICT COURT  
BELL COUNTY, TEXAS

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STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BELL

COMES NOW the undersigned Affiant, a peace officer under the laws of the State of Texas, after having been duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that I have good reason to believe and do believe that <sup>CEDRIC JOSEPH MARKS</sup> CEDRIC JOSEPH MARKS committed the offense of CAPITAL MURDER OF MULTIPLE PERSONS as charged in the complaint to which this Affidavit is attached and that my belief in the foregoing is based on the following information.

I JAMES POWELL, AM A CERTIFIED PEACE OFFICER FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED WITH THE TEMPLE POLICE DEPARTMENT, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS. PURSUANT TO MY DUTIES, I'VE BEEN ASSIGNED TO AN INVESTIGATION INTO A REPORT OF CAPITAL MURDER OF MULTIPLE PERSONS IN WHICH THE SUSPECT IS CEDRIC JOSEPH MARKS. PURSUANT TO THIS INVESTIGATION I HAVE REVIEWED ALL OFFENSE REPORTS AND WITNESS STATEMENTS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INVESTIGATION.

I WOULD ADVISE THAT IN January 2019, Temple Police Department detectives spoke with Maya Maxwell who told the detectives that she was present when Cedric Marks killed both Jenna Scott and Michael Swearingin while at a residence in Killeen, Bell County, Texas, on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. Maxwell said that both Jenna Scott and Michael Swearingin were alive at the time they were brought to the Killeen residence. Marks then entered the room where Michael Swearingin was located, and when Marks left the room, Michael Swearingin was deceased. Marks then entered the room where Jenna Scott was located, and when he left that room, Maxwell reported that Jenna Scott was deceased. Maxwell reported that she heard a struggle when Marks entered the rooms with both individuals. Maxwell also gave information that the bodies of Jenna Scott and Michael Swearingin would be found at property located in Oklahoma. This information, along with other information that Maxwell reported, was later corroborated when the bodies of Jenna Scott and Michael Swearingin were found at the location that Maxwell described in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma's Medical Examiner's office positively identified the bodies found as Jenna Scott and Michael Swearingin. Maxwell also admitted that she was present before and after the deaths of Jenna Scott and Michael Swearingin and was present at the transport and the burial of the bodies.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, YOUR AFFIANT REQUESTS THAT A WARRANT ISSUE FOR THE ARREST OF THE SUSPECT IDENTIFIED ABOVE FOR THE FELONY OFFENSE DESCRIBED ABOVE.

*[Handwritten signature: J. C. Powell]*  
AFFIANT

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me by the above named Affiant, as credible person, this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of FEBRUARY, 2019.

*[Handwritten signature: David R. Bafel]*



JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

PRECINCT NO. 3.1

BELL COUNTY, TEXAS